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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, F	PTO personnel):		
(1) Corbett B. Coburn.	(3)		
(2) Brian Mack.	(4)		
Date of Interview: <u>07 June 2007</u> .			
Type: a)⊠ Telephonic b)□ Video Conference c)□ Personal [copy given to: 1)□ applicant	2) applicant's represer	stative]	
Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes If Yes, brief description:	e)□ No.		
Claim(s) discussed: <u>1</u> .			
Identification of prior art discussed: Nevada Gaming Co	ommission Regulations.		
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During the first interview, Applicant suggested that there might be other ways to determine the effect on the odds of a proposed wager. Applicant suggested that it might be possible to get an expert affidavit on the subject. Examiner will, of course, consider any evidence properly submitted. Whether the existence of another method of determining the odds would render the common method unobvious, is an open question that awaits the evidence.

During the second interview, Applicant stated that the reference did not provide a motivation to one of ordinary skill to implement the claimed invention. Applicant admits that it is well known that a large wager (in relation to the pool size) will change the odds. Further, Applicant admits that the method of determining the odds is known. Applicant contends that it would not have occurred to one of ordinary skill in the art to implement a method that answers the question, "What would the odds be if I wagered X?" Examiner will consider any arguments Applicant puts forth on the matter.